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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Application of :  
Yasuhiko SUGIYAMA et al. :  
Serial No. 10/721,522 : Group Art Unit - 1756  
Filed: November 24, 2003 : Examiner- Stephen D. Rosasco  
For: PHOTOMASK CORRECTION :  
METHOD USING COMPOSITE :  
CHARGED PARTICLE BEAM, :  
AND DEVICE USED IN THE :  
CORRECTION METHOD : Docket No. S005-5168

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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
AND REQUIRED EXTENSION FEE**

**S I R:**

Applicants respectfully request a one-month extension of time for replying to the Office Action dated November 23, 2005, and request that the period for taking further action be reset to expire on March 23, 2006. This is an extension request for replying to the November 23 Office Action within the first month pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a).

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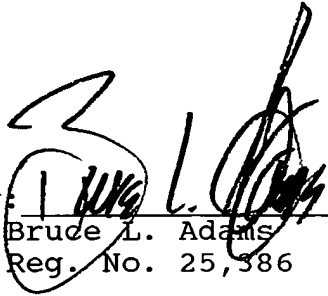
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The reason for the present request is to provide additional time to study the November 23 Office Action and take appropriate action in response thereto.

A check in the amount \$120.00 is enclosed herewith to cover the required fee. Should the check prove insufficient for any reason, authorization is hereby given to charge any such insufficiency to Deposit Account No. 01-0268.

Respectfully submitted,

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MARCH 23, 2006

Date